

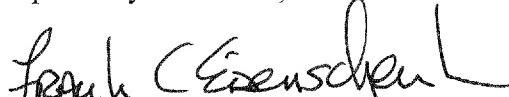
Remarks

Claims 19-36 are pending in the subject application. Applicants hereby reaffirm the election to prosecute the invention of Group I (claims 19, 20, 25, 26 and 31-33), without traverse. As the species, Applicants elect prokaryotic cells and bacterial cells as the species for examination. By way of this amendment, claim 32 has been amended and claims 37 and 38 have been added (support for the new claims may be found, for example, at pages 18-19). Claims 34 and 35 have been canceled as being directed to a non-elected invention. Accordingly, claims 19-33 and 36-38 (with claims 21-24, 27-30 and 36 standing withdrawn from consideration). Favorable consideration of the pending claims is respectfully requested.

Applicants believe that the pending claims are in condition for allowance and such action is respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR §§1.16 or 1.17 as required by this paper to Deposit Account No. 19-0065.

Respectfully submitted,



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